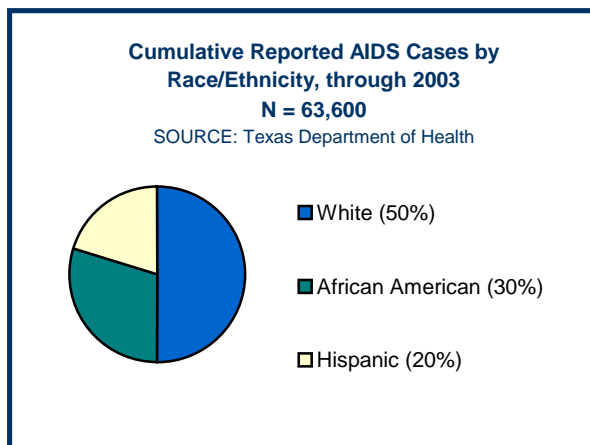
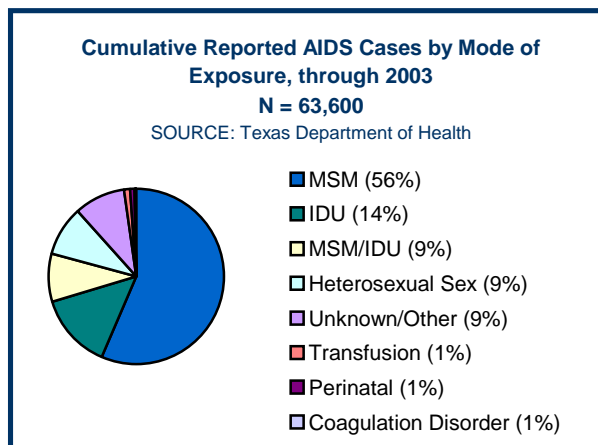




HIV/AIDS, STD & TB Prevention TEXAS

HIV/AIDS Epidemic

Texas reported 62,983 cumulative AIDS cases to CDC as of December 2003.

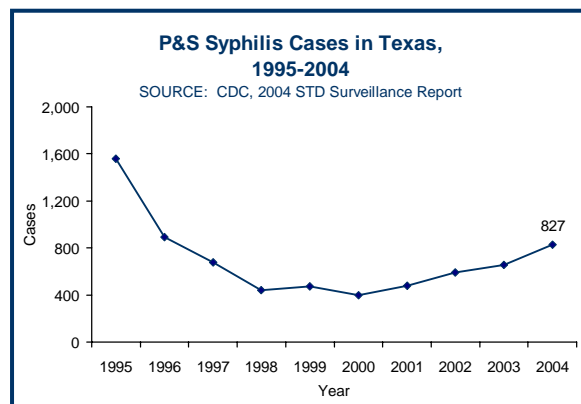


Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STDs)

Syphilis

Primary and secondary (P&S) syphilis (the stages when syphilis is most infectious) remains a problem in the southern U.S. and some urban areas. In Texas, the rate of P&S syphilis decreased 55% from 1995-2004.

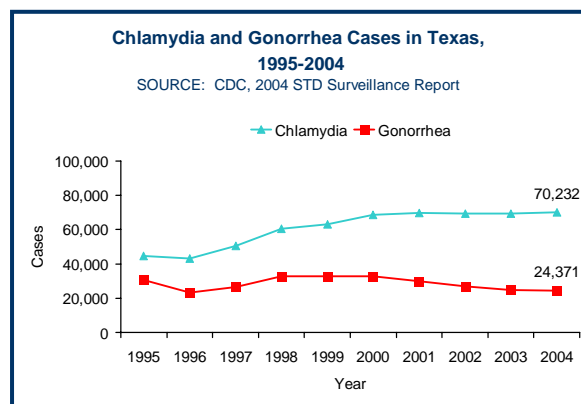
- Texas ranked 8th among the 50 states with 3.7 cases of P&S syphilis per 100,000 persons.
- The number of congenital syphilis cases decreased from 202 in 1995 to 65 in 2004.



Chlamydia and Gonorrhea

Chlamydial and gonorrheal infections in women are usually asymptomatic and often go undiagnosed. Untreated, these infections can lead to pelvic inflammatory disease (PID), which can cause tubal infertility, ectopic pregnancy, and chronic pelvic pain.

- Texas ranked 20th among the 50 states in chlamydial infections (317.5 per 100,000 persons) and 18th in the rate of gonorrhea infections (110.2 per 100,000 persons).
- Rates of chlamydia among Texas women (517.3 cases per 100,000 females) were 4.5 times greater than those among Texas men (114.6 cases per 100,000 males).

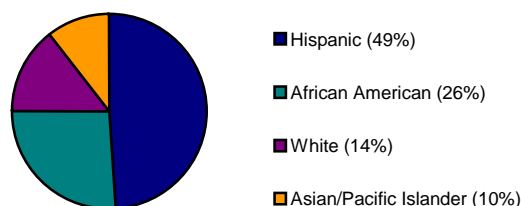


Tuberculosis

TB Cases by Race/Ethnicity, through 2003

N = 1,594

SOURCE: CDC, 2003 TB Surveillance Report



*Percentage totals may be greater or less than 100 due to rounding or missing data

Although rates of tuberculosis (TB) infection in the U.S. have declined substantially since 1992, rates among foreign-born persons continued to increase. In 2003, Texas reported

- ❑ The 5th highest rate of TB in the U.S.
- ❑ A total of 1,594 cases with 49% affecting Hispanics and 26% affecting African Americans. In all, about 45% were among foreign-born persons.

Program Initiatives Supported by CDC

HIV/AIDS

The US/Mexico Border Health Association (USMBHA) in El Paso, Texas, provides national capacity building services to organizations serving Hispanic/Latino communities. One project of the Association is Promo-Vision. It is a project aimed at strengthening community capacity in order to reduce HIV infection rates among Latinos by promoting and supporting Promoters (Promotora Model) as agents of change. Promoters increase social capital that is invested in AIDS prevention, gender equity, and sexual health promotion.

Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STDs)

The Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS), HIV and STD Comprehensive Services Branch conducted a pilot program for HIV rapid testing, including two STD clinics (Dallas County and Austin-Travis County). STD clinics located in large metropolitan areas with high STD/HIV prevalence have found a benefit in incorporating HIV rapid testing. Subsequently, STD clinics in Corpus Christi and San Antonio were approved to do HIV rapid testing. In addition, in recent years DSHS has encouraged HIV prevention contractors to perform syphilis testing when drawing blood for HIV testing, because of the syphilis outbreak among men who have sex with men (MSM) and high rates of HIV and syphilis co-morbidity in that population.

Tuberculosis (TB)

In March 2003, the U.S. Mexico Binational TB Referral and Case Management Project was launched. A key component of this program is the TB binational health card, which helps to ensure patient continuity of care and completion of treatment. Additionally, the health card aims to prevent drug resistant TB and serves to better coordinate referral of patients between health systems via a toll-free number.

National Center for HIV, STDs & TB Prevention Funding to Texas, 2005 (US\$)

HIV/AIDS	\$31,306,768
STDs	\$9,602,390
TB	\$5,496,699

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